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3. This unit is responsible for all GSOFG printing installations. It supervises all technical and administrative activities of subordinate printing installations, issues regulations concerning the dealings of the single printing installations with German suppliers, and sends inspection and acceptance committees or officers whenever new printing equipment is purchased or old equipment is being repaired by German contractors. This unit is also the central procurement agency for all GSOFG printing equipment

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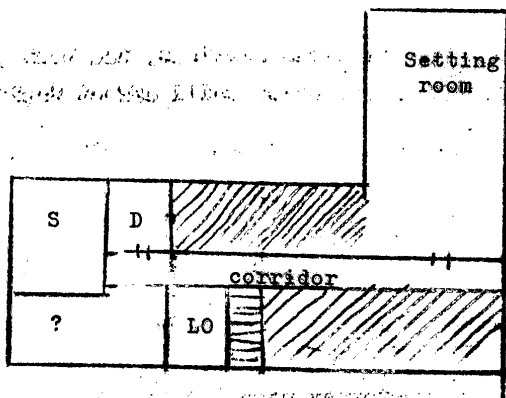
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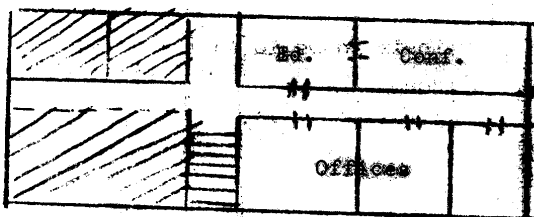
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Sketch of Wuensdorf printing shop

Office

Hall

Printing shop
(room A)

guard

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Printing shop
(room B)

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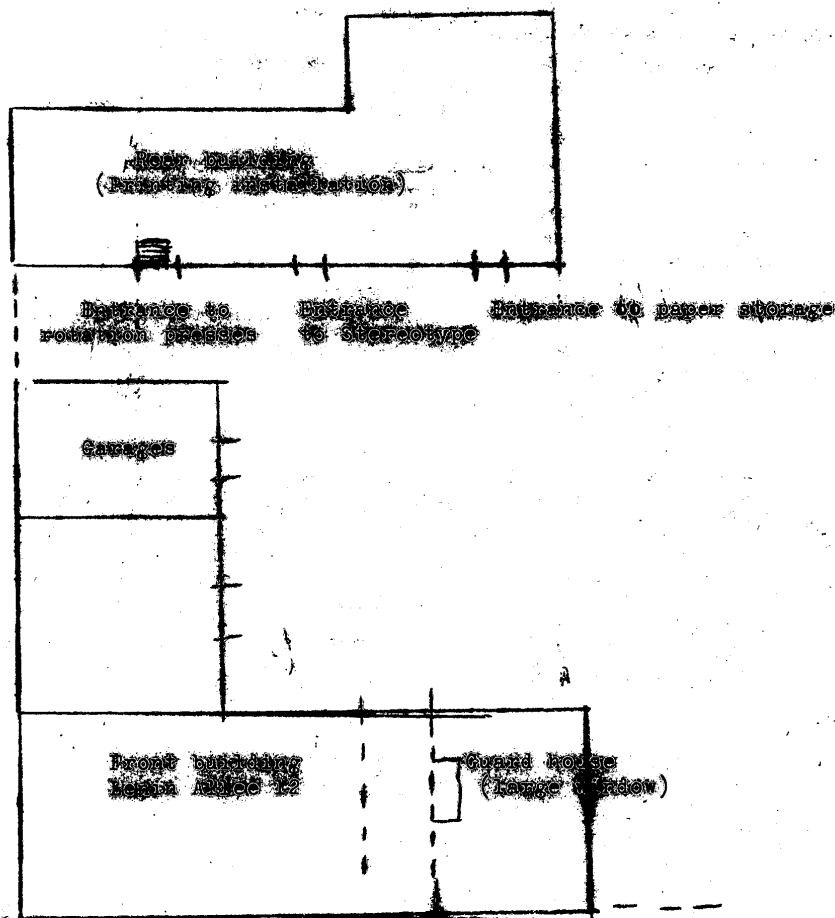
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Sketches

1) General lay-out



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7. When the order is placed with a German contractor in Leipzig, the contractor's crew or a technical and commercial representative obtain a certificate from one of the procurement offices mentioned above that they have a Dienstauftrag. With this certificate, they directly the printing installations and discuss with the responsible officers the technical sides of the order. In connection with these discussions, members of the repair crew or other employees of the contractor gain access to the single printing installations in Wuensdorf, Potsdam, Fuerstenwalde, etc.
8. The procedures for delivery or repair of printing equipment in Wuensdorf are completed and the payment must be made. The contractor makes out the bill in four copies, two in German and two in Russian. The bills must indicate in a very detailed manner the costs of material, labor, expenses, and also the taxes. These bills are personally taken by a representative of the contractor to Wuensdorf. The Soviet manager of the printing installation receives the bills and writes up an acceptance protocol. This acceptance act must be signed by the manager of the printing installation, by the individual printers who will be working with the equipment, and by the representative of the contractor. The act is then taken by the Soviet manager to an unknown Soviet general for final signature and approval. The acceptance document bears about 10 to 12 different signatures when it is in its final form. The bill is then taken by the representative of the contractor to the "Soviet bank" (probably the Finance Office), where all copies and the acceptance document are checked again for arithmetical correctness and signed by a finance officer (usually a major). Then the representative of the contractor takes the bills to the teller (a captain) who finally pays the money. The entire procedure lasts about two days. All orders for Wuensdorf are on a cash basis.
9. The printing shop in Wuensdorf is a small unit commanded by a senior lieutenant who is manager of the printing installation. It is subordinated to but not identical with the supervisory unit. The printing shop is located inside the so-called "second" or "internal" Wuensdorf compound. It has a hall, or waiting room, one office room, and two rooms in which the actual printing is done. (rooms A and B on the sketch). The entrance door to the hall is always closed, and the doorbell must be rung twice. An enlisted man acting as guard opens the door. At the rear end of this hall is a door leading to the office of the manager of the printing shop. Room A, though adjacent to the office, has no doors connecting with it. The doors to printing rooms A and B are on a corridor, opposite each other. There is a guard at the far end of the corridor. Visitors cannot enter the printing installations unless accompanied by the managing officer of the plant.

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14. The printing shop in Potsdam is guarded by a small security detail. The guardhouse is located on the doorway of the front building, Lenin Allee 12. The guard on duty can see the entrance through a large window. Admission to the printing shop can be easily gained. Normally, the guard does not require the DPA of a German visitor but merely asks whom the visitor wants to see. If the visitor can state the name of an officer, the guard simply waves him on. There is no additional guard in the courtyard or in the rear building, at least not in the daytime.
15. The equipment of the Pravda printing shop in Potsdam consists of two rotation presses and two Flachdruckmaschinen. The number and type of setting machines and stereotype presses are not known. One of the rotation presses is of German make; the other, [REDACTED] eight-sided press, is of Soviet make but an imitation or Soviet [REDACTED] a MAN rotation press.
16. The personnel of the printing unit in Potsdam occupies a house in Feuerbachstrasse, third house on the left from Lenin Allee. This house is approximately 30 to 40 meters long, has three stories and about 25 apartments. The building has two entrances, only one of which is in use. This is to the right when facing the building. Officers and male enlisted men of the printing unit have their private billets in this building. The female personnel occupies billets somewhere in the rear of the building.
17. The printing unit in Fuerstenwalde [REDACTED] Judging from the equipment, the Fuerstenwalde unit is primarily concerned with lithography. The unit is under the command of Major Trofimov (fnu).

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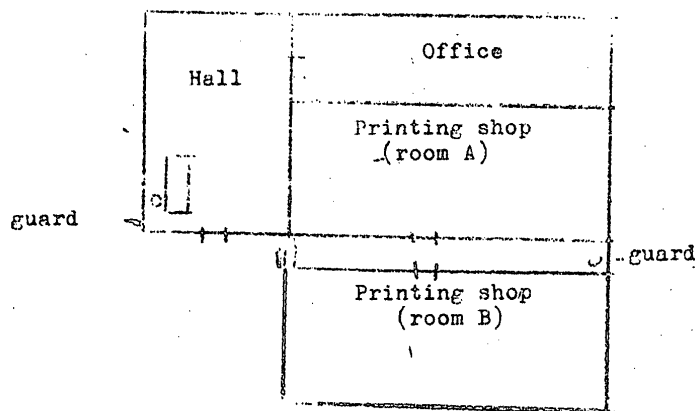
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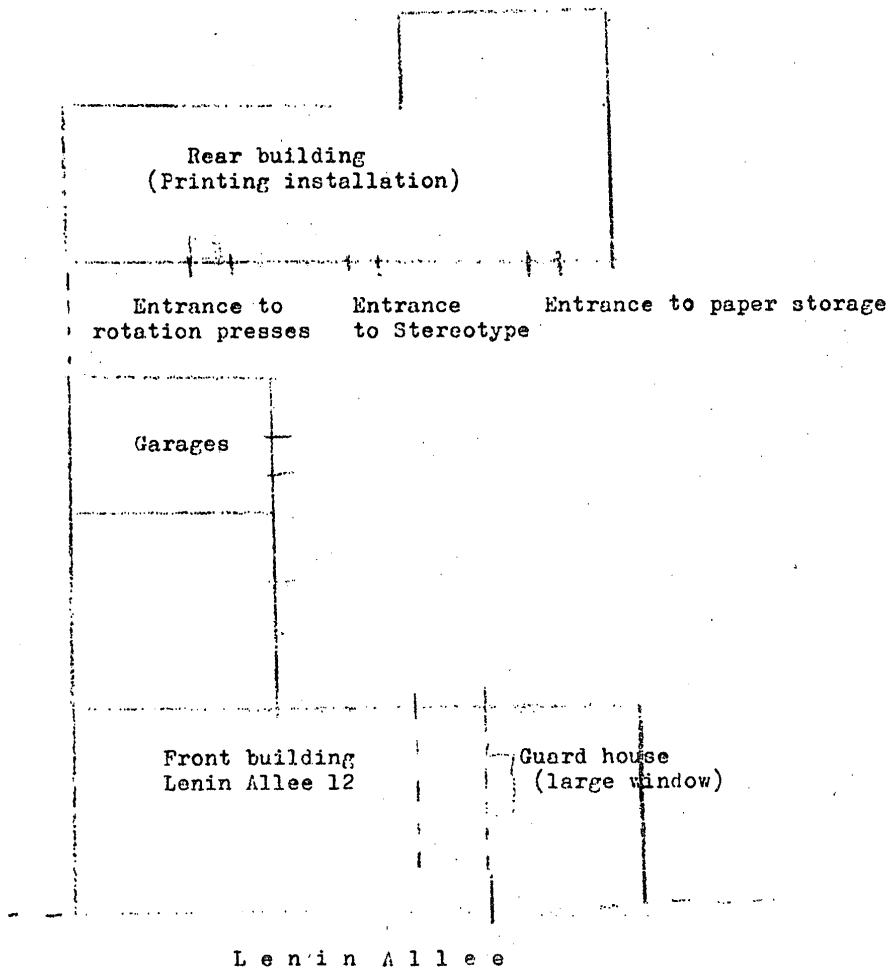
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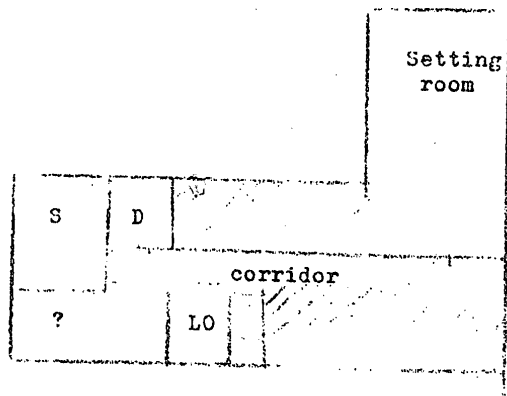
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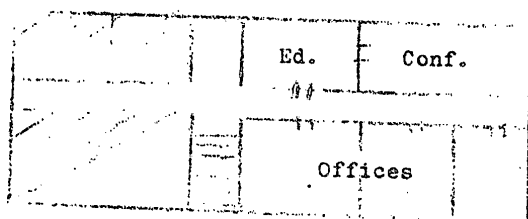
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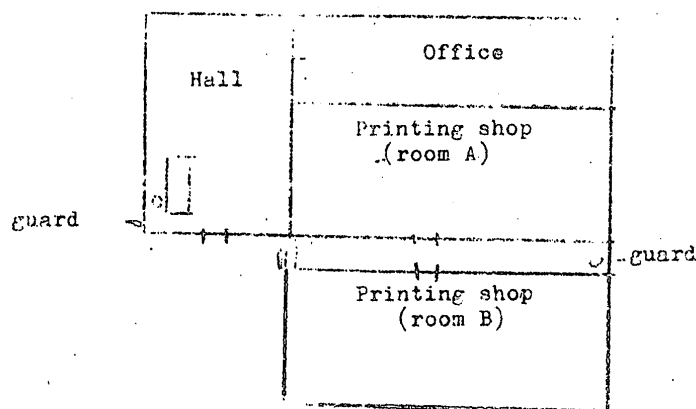
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13. The printing plant in Potsdam is located in a building which formerly belonged to the German Luftwaffe. The front building, Lenin Allee 12, is apparently not used by the printing installation. The rear building, to which access is gained through a doorway of the front building, has three stories. The ground floor houses the actual printing shop (rotation

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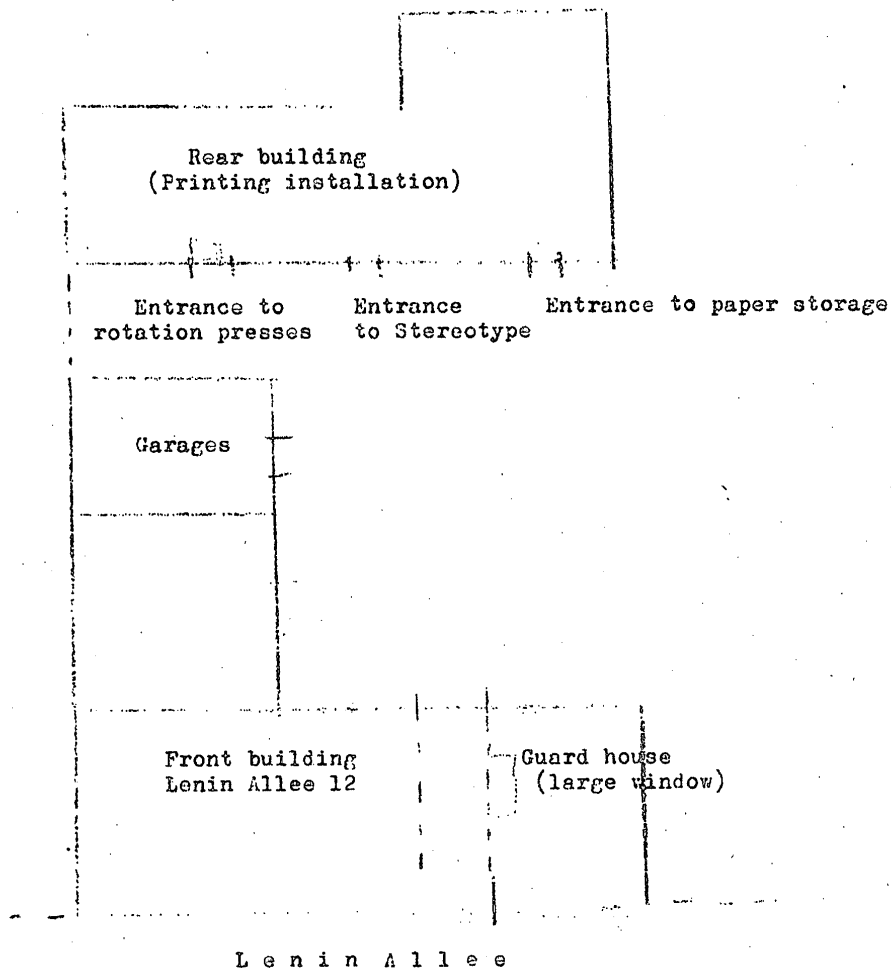
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presses and paper storage). The second floor houses the offices of Maj. Sukhov, Cpt. Damaskin, and an officer reported to be the liaison officer to Wuensdorf and Fuerstenwalde, several other offices of unidentified personnel, and the setting room, which is a long hall in a wing added to the building. The third floor houses the editorial offices and a large conference room.

Sketches

1) General lay-out



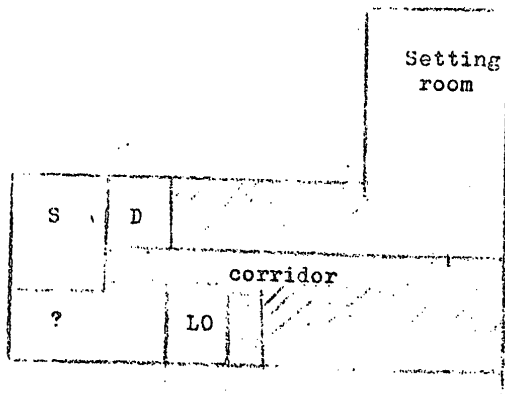
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2) Second floor (1. Stock)



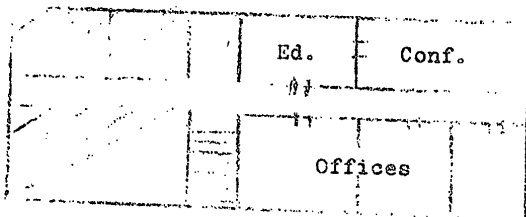
S - Room of Major Sukhov

D - Room of Capt. Damaskin (sound-proof)

LO - Room of the liaison officer to Wuensdorf and Fuerstenwalde

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3) Third floor (2. Stock)



Ed - Office of the Editor

Conf. - Conference room

/// - Unidentified area

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14. The printing shop in Potsdam is guarded by a small security detail. The guardhouse is located in the doorway of the front building, Lenin Allee 12. The guard on duty can see the entrance through a large window. Admission to the printing shop can be easily gained. Normally, the guard does not require the DPA of a German visitor but merely asks whom the visitor wants to see. If the visitor can state the name of an officer, the guard simply waves him on. There is no additional guard in the courtyard or in the rear building, at least not in the daytime.
15. The equipment of the Pravda printing shop in Potsdam consists of two rotation presses and two Flachdruckmaschinen. The number and type of setting machines and stereotype presses are not known. One of the rotation presses is of German make; the other, an RO 138 eight-sided press, is of Soviet make but an imitation or Soviet adaptation of a MAN rotation press.
16. The personnel of the printing unit in Potsdam occupies a house in Feuerbachstrasse, third house on the left from Lenin Allee. This house is approximately 30 to 40 meters long, has three stories and about 25 apartments. The building has two entrances, only one of which is in use. This is to the right when facing the building. Officers and male enlisted men of the printing unit have their private billets in this building. The female personnel occupies billets somewhere in the rear of the building.
17. The printing unit in Fuerstenwalde Judging from the equipment, the Fuerstenwalde unit is primarily concerned with lithography. The unit is under the command of Major Trofimov (fnu).

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